PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT.

Revised Rules for the Regulation of Water Supply from the Chamarajendra Water Works.

READ

Government Notification Public Works No. 772-5275, dated 29th June 1912, publishing revised rules for the regulation of Water Supply from the Chamarajendra Water Works, Bangalore City.

2. Letter No. 126, dated 7th April 1925, addressed to the Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments, by the Municipal Commissioner, Municipal Council, Bangalore City, suggesting certain modifications as resolved by the Municipal Council, in the existing rules for the regulation of Water Supply in the Bangalore City.

3. Note No. D. 32, dated 9th July 1925, by the Public Works Secretary on the subject.

4. Government Order No. L. 509-512—Ml. 127-23-13, dated 22nd July 1925, on Bangalore City Water Supply.

ORDER NO. M. 1088-93, DATED BANGALORE THE 2ND OCTOBER 1925.

In the Government Order dated 29th June 1912 read above, Government sanctioned revised rules for the regulation of the Water Supply in the Bangalore City.

2. Also, in the Order dated 22nd July 1925, read above, Government have ordered, among other things, that the Bangalore Municipal Council will bear completely the maintenance charges of the Water Supply Scheme from 1st July 1926. Reference has also been made in the Government Order No. L. 509-512—Ml. 127-23-13, dated the 22nd July 1925 to certain proposals from the Municipal Council *in re* revision of house connection charges, etc., and it was stated in para 12 thereof that separate orders would issue in the matter.

3. In this connection, the Bangalore City Municipal Council, have suggested the following modifications in the existing rules for the regulation of Water Supply in the Bangalore City :—

(*a*) Existing Rule No. 8, restricts private house connections to such houses only whose annual rental value is Rs. 100 or more. This restriction may be done away with, so that every house-owner who is prepared to pay for a connection may have a tap in his house.

(*b*) A flat rate of 4 annas per month be levied as a charge for evey house connection already given and to be given hereafter.

(*c*) The existing rate of 12 annas for excess water charges be raised to Re. 1 for every 1,000 gallons.

(*d*) The free supply of water to Government Institutions may be done away with and a concession rate of 8 annas per 1,000 gallons be levied for all water drawn by those Government Institutions which have been enjoying, a free allowance and 12 annas for every 1,000 gallons, in case where no such free allowance is now being enjoyed.

4. As regards item (*a*) *in re* removal of the existing restrictions for granting house connections, the Chief Engineer of Mysore is of opinion that the grant of house connections to every house irrespective of the rental value is not advisable, as the consumption would go beyond control, thereby increasing the wastage to a considerable extent. The present distribution mains are also incapable of supplying water to all houses satisfactorily, as most of them are already overtaxed. Unless and until new distribution mains themselves are laid, the removal of the existing restriction is likely to prejudice the satisfactory supply of water to houses. The Chief Engineer is therefore not in favour of removal of this restriction.

5. Government agree with the Chief Engineer and consider that it is neither advisable nor practicable at this stage, to grant connection to houses whose annual rental value is below Rs. 100. The question may be considered after the proposed improvements to the Water Supply Scheme are carried out, if the condition of storage and distribution may then permit.

6. As regards items (*b*) and (*c*), Government are aware that facility for increasing the income has to be afforded to the Municipality, now that the maintenance charges of the Water Supply have to be borne by them. They are accordingly pleased to order that, with effect from 1st July 1925 :—

(1) A flat rate of 4 annas per month be levied as a charge for every house connection already given and to be given hereafter, and

(2) The charge for excess water be raised from 12 annas to Re. 1 for every 1,000 gallons.

7. As regards item (d), Government are not in favour of this proposal at the present stage. The matter will be considered later on.

8. Necessary addenda to the Government Order of 1912 with reference to modifications now sanctioned *vide* para 6 above will issue.

K. R. SESHACHAR,
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

Sanctioning the continuance of the establishment in connection with Survey of Lands, etc., in the Malnad for a further period of one year from 1st July 1925.

READ—

G. O. No. P. W. 1866-70, dated the 29th December 1924, sanctioning the entertainment of an Engineering Establishment at a cost of Rs. 539 per month for a period of six months, in connection with the survey of lands, etc., in the Malnad.

2. Letter No. 14529, dated the 21st April 1925, from the Chief Engineer, reporting that the establishment was entertained in February 1925 and posted to the Shimoga District and requesting sanction to the continuance of the establishment for a further period of one year from 1st July 1925, as the work in the Shimoga District will occupy the establishment beyond 30th June 1925 and as similar works have to be undertaken in the Kadur and Hassan Districts.

3. U. O. reference dated the 26th August 1925, from the Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments, on the above subject.

ORDER No. E. 1508—1512, DATED 30TH OCTOBER 1925.

Under the circumstances reported by the Chief Engineer in his letter read above, Government are pleased to accord sanction to the continuance of the establishment, ordered to be entertained in G. O. No. P. W. 1866-70, dated the 29th December 1924, for a further period of one year from 1st July 1925.

2. The cost will be met from the provision made in the current year's budget under "30 Grants for Public Improvements, 7 Malnad Improvement" for Engineering Establishment and travelling allowances.

K. R. SESHACHAR,
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.